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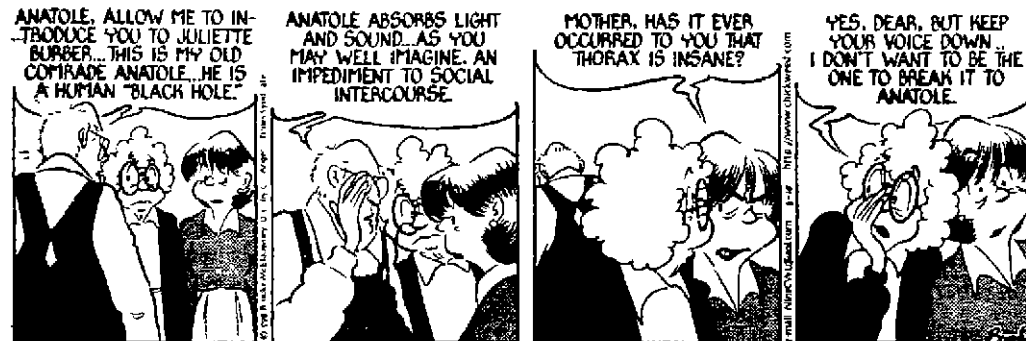
SALLY FORTH



THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



9 CHICKWEED LANE



ANDY CAPP



ROSE IS ROSE



HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



MOTHER GOOSE AND GRIMM



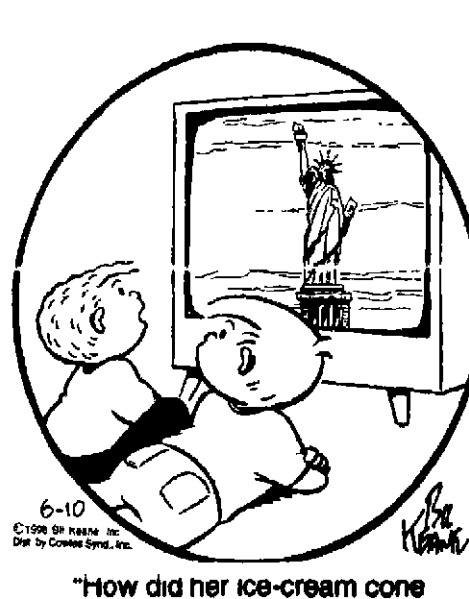
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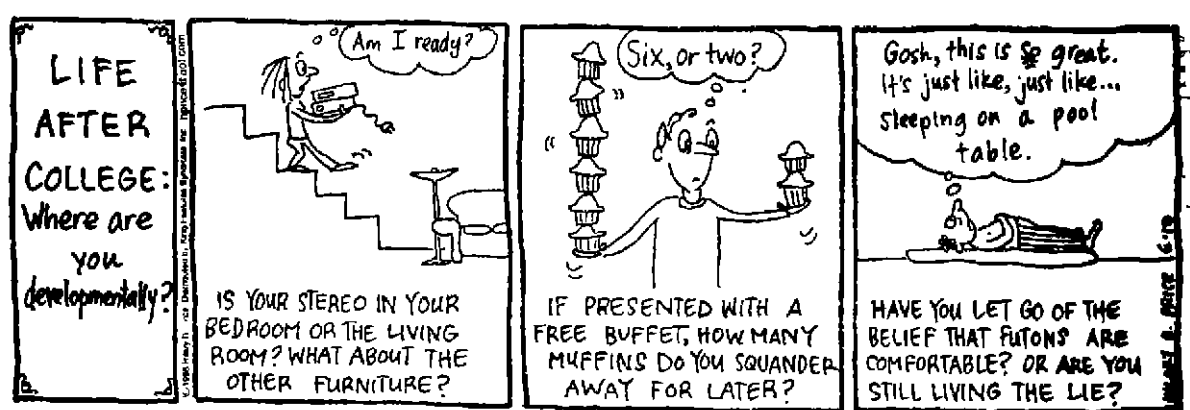
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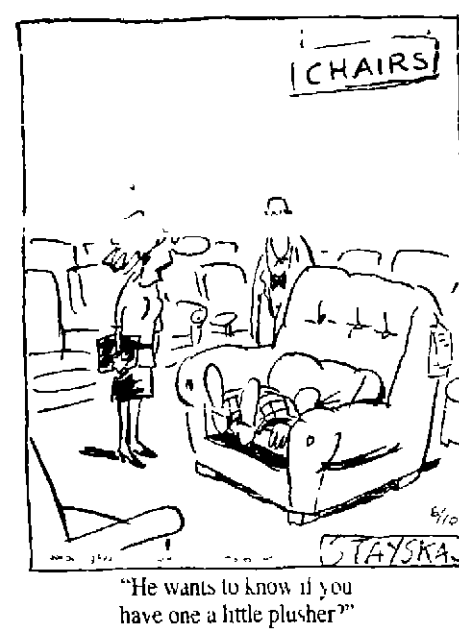
FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



RALPH



Today's Birthdays

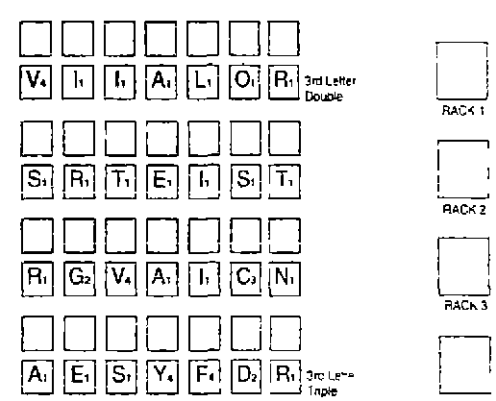
Britain's Prince Philip is 77. Attorney F. Lee Bailey is 65. Singer Shirley Alston (The Shirelles) is 57. Actor

(The English Patient) is 57. Actor Andrew Stevens is 43. Actress Elisabeth Shue is 35. Actress Jeanne Tripplehorn is 35. Model-actress Elizabeth Hurley is 33. Model Linda Evangelista is 33. Actor Doug Jackson is 32. Rhythm-and-blues singer Faith Evans is 25. Olympic gold medal figure skater Tara Lipinski is 16.

I NEED HELP



SCRABBLE



PAR SCORE 165-175

by JUDD

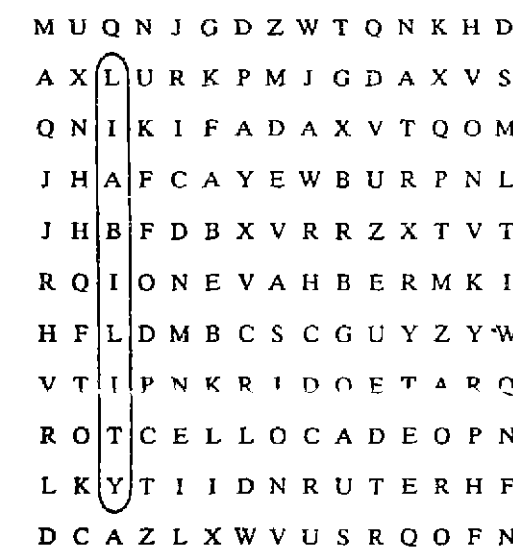
FOUR RACK TOTAL TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7 letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. All Judd's words are in The Official Scrabble Players Dictionary (Merriam-Webster) and OSW Official Scrabble Words (Chambers). JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW 6-10-98 © 1998 United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

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WORD SLEUTH

Tax -



Tuesday's unlisted clue: JOKE

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Wednesday's unlisted clue hint: A 12-MONTH PERIOD

Bracket Court Free Payer
Break Dodge Haven Rate
Code Evasion Liability Return
Collector Exempt Lien

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HOROSCOPE

For Thursday, June 11, 1998

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A career impasse is over. Shopping, home life and friends all contribute to the day's happiness.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Improved communication with a friend puts you in a happy frame of mind. Humanitarian pursuits grab your attention.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Inwardly, you're at peace with yourself. New domestic beginnings are possible.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Finally, you no longer seem at cross-purposes with yourself. Relations with partners and children couldn't be better.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) You're able to put your financial affairs on a solid footing. Work opportunities that arise should be capitalized on.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) You'll finally settle a matter that's been bothering you for a long time. Luck comes through a partner.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Real estate interests are favored. Beneficial changes occur at home.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) It's a favorable time for travel. Creative types meet with commercial opportunities.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) More than one career option presents itself. Luck is immediate, but think in terms of long-range goals.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) A burden is lifted from a partner's shoulders. Compassion makes you helpful to those in need.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) A financial worry is over. Idealistic pursuits and cultural fare appeal to you.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) You'll find a solution to a longstanding problem. An unusual career chance is promising.

ACES ON BRIDGE

By Bobby Wolff

In the real world, more than a few declarers would lose today's game. Because the challenge is offered in a bridge column, many sharp readers will find the solution to make the game. Cover

the East-West cards, review the bidding and try your luck. In a typical game, South might

cloud matters by winning his diamond ace at trick one and sees the club threat in dummy. His only chance is to find East with the heart king (even J-x would do), so he reaches for heart ace.

East signals with his nine, and the defenders cash four tricks for one down. How should South find the way to make the game? The answer lies in the bidding and in West's choice of leads. Because West led a neutral diamond, South must assume he didn't have a solid

heart sequence. Had he held the A-K or K-Q-10 of hearts, surely he would have chosen to lead his suit. If West doesn't have a solid heart sequence, East must have the heart king, marking West with the A-Q. Would West have opened the bidding with the A-Q of hearts and the ace of clubs? Probably not, therefore, he's the favorite to hold the spade queen. After placing the trump queen with West, the rest is easy. South rejects the trump finesse and cashes his king and ace. The defenders win only three tricks.

WEST ♠ Q 4 ♥ A Q 10 7 6 ♦ 10 9 8 ♣ A 8 2

EAST ♠ 10 9 2 ♥ K 9 5 ♦ 5 4 3 2 ♣ 7 4 3

SOUTH ♠ A J 8 7 6 3 ♥ J 3 ♦ K Q 6 ♣ 10 5

vulnerable North-South Dealer: West

The bidding: West 1♥ North 2♣ East 2♠ South 3♣

Pass 3♣ Pass Pass 4♣

Opening lead: Diamond 10

N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

No. 0429

ACROSS

- 1 Civilian clothes
- 6 Any Alp
- 10 —vu
- 14 Smiling
- 15 Mountain of Greek legend
- 16 Just-prior periods
- 17 E. Annie Proulx novel
- 20 Taoism founder Lao —
- 21 Nile reptile
- 22 Part of MADD
- 23 Molded
- 24 Tarzan's foster mother
- 27 —Kettering Institute
- 28 Honeybunch
- 31 Kind of citizen
- 35 Price fixers
- 37 Gift label word
- 39 Paris-to-Amsterdam dir
- 40 E. M. Forster novel
- 43 Kinsman Abbr
- 44 Ollie's sidekick
- 45 Makes things slippery
- 46 Former Gov. Grasso
- 48 Choice word
- 50 Gold measure
- 51 P I
- 53 Is here
- 55 Cowboy topper
- 59 Cry of disbelief
- 60 Cable's "SuperStation"
- 63 Jerome K. Jerome novel

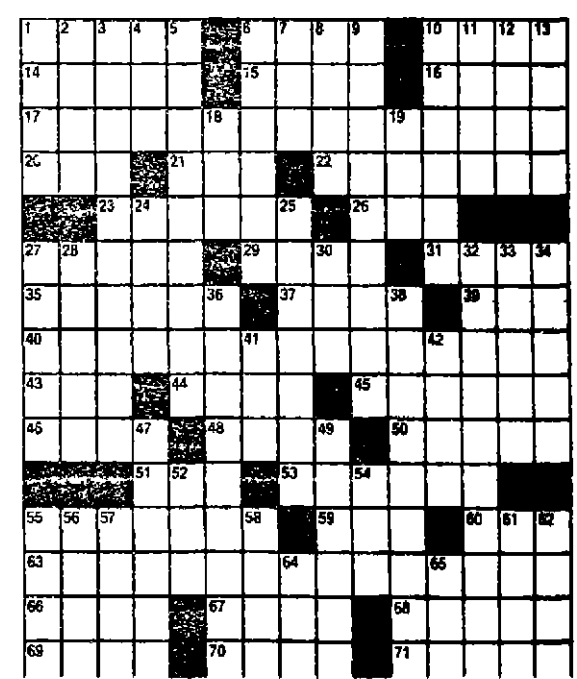
DOWN

- 66 Where to find anvils
- 67 Perpetually
- 68 Eccentric
- 69 Use an atomizer
- 70 Give stars to, perhaps
- 71 Provide (with)
- 1 LeBlanc of "Friends"
- 2 Verbal pans
- 3 Melee
- 4 Woody Herman's "Autumn"
- 5 Like working plowhorses
- 6 Like cooked corn
- 7 Debatable power for short
- 8 The East
- 9 Herbivorous hoppers

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ENCLAVE UGH ARE
FRAILER BRO RON
TALKED ABOUT CUD
DECT OLE CATO
GIRLS SCOUT LEADER
AMOV MTS CBERS
PAN MONO GROSSE
HIPPINGOUT
OCTANE NUTS SAP
OREST TIS SEMI
SOUTHVIETNAMESE

- 10 Turned down
- 11 So much as
- 12 Feast of Lights observers
- 13 Little helper?
- 16 Suffix with sex
- 18 Banetton nval
- 24 They may be wild
- 25 Arena chant
- 27 False alarm
- 28 rip in the fashion industry
- 30 Dexterity
- 32 "I get it"



Puzzle by Gayle Dean

- 33 "Fruit" novelist Brookner
- 34 Minimal
- 36 Fashionable one?
- 38 Jerk's creation?
- 41 "For Me and My
- 42 Spiffy
- 55 Ship's front
- 56 Neighbor of a Laotian
- 57 Commits a faux pas
- 58 Winter Palace river
- 61 Capital on the Caspian
- 62 Ophthalmological case
- 64 Surfing site
- 66 Rock's — Jovi

Answers to any three clues in this puzzle

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